



## PARISH HANDBOOK FOR THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Late last year, the Diocesan Liturgical Commission launched the renewed “Parish Handbook for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults” at the state and diocesan RCIA Conferences. The handbook has been updated and refreshed to correspond with other Diocesan Liturgical Commission guidelines and policies.

Copies of the handbook have been distributed to parishes. The handbook and following appendices are also available from the members section of the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au):

### **Confidential Information for the Parish Priest.**

### **The Sponsor & Godparents in the RCIA Process.**

### **Discernment:**

- Discernment of Readiness: Before Enrolment in the Catechumenate.
- Discernment of Readiness: Before the Rite of Election.
- Discernment: During the time of Mystagogia.

### **Dismissals:**

- The Dismissal.
- Catechetical Method for Sunday Sessions Following Dismissal.
- Structure of Sunday Sessions following Dismissal: Purification and Enlightenment.

### **Rites**

- Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate.
- Suggested Rite for Sunday Dismissal of Catechumens and Baptised Candidates.
- First Scrutiny.
- Second Scrutiny.
- Third Scrutiny.
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Enrolment of Names and Election.
- Notes on the Rite of Enrolment of Names: The Parish Rite prior to the Rite of Election.
- A Text for the Rite of Enrolment of Names.
- Concluding Rite for Thanksgiving Eucharist during Period of Mystagogia.

Further copies of the handbook are available from the Pastoral Ministry Office, ph. 5337 7159 or email [liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

